

Kentucky Department for Medicaid Services

Drug Review Options

The following chart lists the drug products scheduled for review at the May 15, 2003, meeting of the Pharmacy and Therapeutics Advisory Committee and options that were submitted for review.

Drug Class	Options for Consideration
Ranitidine HCl	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Ranitidine tablets are preferred and ranitidine capsules require prior authorization.
Fluoxetine HCl	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Place a restriction on fluoxetine 40mg capsules – requiring the use of two fluoxetine 20mg capsules to achieve this dosage.• Require the use of fluoxetine 20mg capsules instead of fluoxetine 20mg tablets – fluoxetine 20mg capsules have a Federal Upper Limit in place.• Fluoxetine immediate release capsules are preferred. Place a prior authorization on Prozac Weekly with a quantity limit of four units per month.
Lexapro	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Require the splitting of a 20mg dose to obtain a 10mg dosage
Celexa	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Require the splitting of a 40mg dose to obtain a 20mg dosage
Zoloft	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Require the splitting of a 100mg dose to obtain a 50mg dosage
Recommend that the Secretary for Health Services reimburse the pharmacy for splitting tablets for optimal doses of Lexapro, Celexa, and Zoloft.	